



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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At its meeting held November 15, 2005, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Yaroslavsky made the following statement:

“Child abuse and neglect impact children and families from all cultural, ethnic and socioeconomic groups, leaving lasting scars on victims and communities. There are over 150,000 cases of child abuse and neglect reported to the Department of Children and Family Services in Los Angeles County each year. ‘World Day for Prevention of Child Abuse’ was organized by Women’s World Summit Foundation in 2001 and sponsored by the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees and the UN Special Rapporteur on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography.

“Joining this coalition is the International Child Abuse Network (YesICAN) which believes that one way to break the cycle of abuse is to educate the world community and convince government officials of the impact that abuse of children has on society. YesICAN hopes to utilize this World Day for the Prevention of Child Abuse to impress on all civil society the need to play a more active role in the promotion of and respect for children’s rights. The County of Los Angeles wishes to recognize the work and dedication of YesICAN’s professionals and volunteers in their efforts to prevent child abuse and neglect.”

Warren Willams and Yvonne Michelle Autry addressed the Board.

After discussion, on motion of Supervisor Yaroslavsky, seconded by Supervisor Burke, unanimously carried, the Board proclaimed November 19, 2005 as “World Day for Prevention of Child Abuse” throughout Los Angeles County; and urged all residents to take this opportunity to educate themselves on this important issue of public concern.

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